

CORE • ELEMENT THREE

Week 4 of 5

PRAY • WE LIVE OUR LIVES FROM THE OUTSIDE IN... ETC...

Jesus said:

... I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

John 10:10

REVIEW

ELEMENT ONE: God is my Air.

ELEMENT TWO: I am God's Dirt (earth).

the LORD God formed the man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

Genesis 2:7

ELEMENT THREE: FIRE

My **Fire** is found in **God's Family**

THREE KINDS OF PEOPLE: ON FIRE • BURNED OUT • LUKEWARM

NO ONE CALLS THE SECOND TWO "ABUNDANT LIVING" • KEEP THE FIRE BURNING! • COALS

1. The **fire** of God comes with His **Spirit**.

"I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire..."

Matthew 3:11

Matthew 3:1-17 (p. 670).

GOD'S FIRE IS SOMETIMES FOR JUDGMENT, SOMETIMES PURIFICATION, ALWAYS WITH HIS SPIRIT

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Acts 2:1-4

2. The **Spirit** of God is in the **Family** of God.

1 Corinthians 12:4-13 (p. 797).

ONE SPIRIT & ONE BODY – THE SPIRIT IS THE RED HOT BLOOD IN THIS BODY

3. To experience the **fire** of God's Spirit, I must take part in the **flow** of His **Family**.

1 Corinthians 12:14-31

As it is, we see that God has carefully placed each part of the body right where he wanted it.

1 Corinthians 12:18 MSG

PRACTICAL • I have something to offer • something to receive... (sad when people leave before)
• I'm willing to deal with the last 10% •
(LAST 10%: The risk to exercise the gift. The risk to challenge the expression.)

It's easier to cool off, but I choose to
 get ***fire* - up** by my ***family*!**

ILL: THE SAINTS MIGHT WIN BECAUSE OF THEIR FANS, THE VIKES MIGHT BECAUSE OF THEIR FAVRE

TAKE IT HOME:

❖ Have you received the Spirit?

Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Acts 2:38

❖ Are you in flow with God's people?

WHEN DO YOU OFFER? • WHEN DO YOU RECEIVE? • HOW'S THE LAST 10%?

THIS CHURCH'S COMMITMENT TO YOU:

- ❖ In this church, your leaders will inspire you and challenge you so you can be empowered and purified.
- ❖ In this church, you can join a small group to experience true community.
- ❖ In this church, you can join a ministry team to help you express your giftedness.